Fisheries Information System
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Mission

To create an umbrella program that coordinates techniques to gather and disseminate data nationally while accounting for the unique characteristics of regional commercial and recreational fisheries.

Vision

The national FIS team works collaboratively to build a quality data management system to provide accurate, efficient and timely resources and services supporting fisheries data analysis and decision processes.

Goals

➢ Facilitate coordination and communication in the design, collection, sharing, and uses of data among states, regional/state repositories, and NMFS to support fisheries stewardship.

➢ Consolidate information collected under existing State, Federal, and international fishery management plans.

➢ Build cross-regional and national tools to support data collection and metadata activities at the Regions and Centers.

➢ Develop a unified electronic data management system that provides fisheries information across NMFS Regions and partnerships.

➢ Expand data collection to meet future needs.

➢ Improve data quality and reduce respondent burden by avoiding duplication and unnecessary redundancy in data collection.